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SUMMARY: DURING MEETING MARCH 28 WITH EMBOFF, ICCS POLDEL POLITICAL ADVISERS KUSNIERZ AND MALICKI CONTINUED TO DEFEND POLDEL PERFORMANCE USING FAMILIAR ARGUMENTS OF PERSONAL SAFETY AND FPJMC PRIMARY PEACE- KEEPING RESPONSIBILITY. HOWEVER, IN COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS, THEY CONVEYED NEW NOT OF GROWING FRUSTRATION OVER CURRENT " HIGHLY DELICATE" SITUATION IN WHICH POLAND " HAS NO INFLUENCE OVER THE PRG". END SUMMARY.

1. IN CONVERSTAION MARCH 28 WITH ICCS POLDEL POLITICAL ADVISERS KUSNIERZ AND MALICKI, EMBOFF EXPRESSED SERIOUS CONCERN OVER POLDEL/ HUNGDEL EVACUATION MARCH 23 OF TRI TON TEAM SITE. EMBOFF STRESSED THAT CONTINUED ABSENCE OF POLDEL TEAM IN TRI TON, DESPITE MARCH 26 RETURN OF HUNGDEL MEMBERS, AND LACK OF POLDEL REPS IN HONG NGU, BEN CAT (LAM SON) AND CAM RANH BAY POE SITE LEAVES LITTLE DOUBT AS TO WHERE POLDEL
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STANDS IN COMPARISON TO OTHER CHIP DELS REGARDING LEVEL OF PERFORMANCE IN ICCS.

2. POLDEL ADVISERS RESPONDED IN SIMILAR FASHION AS IN PREVIOUS DISCUSSION (REFTEL) USING SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME ARGUMENTS. HOWEVER, IN MANNER AND STYLE BOTH KUSNIERZ AND MALICKI CLEARLY CONVEYED SOMEWHAT UNEXPECTED NOTE OF GROWING FRUSTATION. THEY STRESSED PERSONAL SAFETY THEME ALMOST TO POINT OF DESPERATION, AND REPEATEDLY SPOKE OF FPJMC AS THE ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY UNDER PARIS AGREEMENT.

3. MALICKI CHARACTERIZED CURRENT SITUATION AS " HIGHLY DELICATE" AND ADDED THAT POLAND " HAS NO INFLUENCE OVER PRG". WHEN QUESTIONED BY EMBOFF AS TO WHO HAS SUCH INFLUENCE, MALICKI RESPONDED THAT HANOI HAS " LEVERAGE". KUSNIERZ PUZZLED OVER WHY TWO SIDES TO THE CONFLICT CANNOT GET TOGETHER AND THEN, ALMOST AS AN AFTERTHOUGHT, BLAMED GVN INTRANSIGENCE. IN MANNER APPROACHING THAT OF AN APPEAL, KUSNIERZ FURTHER ADDED THAT POLDEL CANNOT RISK LIVES OF ITS SOLDIERS AND WOULD GIVE NO ORDERS WHICH WOULD RESULT IN DEATH OR INJURY TO POLDEL MEMBERS. ACCORDING TO BOTH ADVISERS, ICCS PRESENTLY IS BEING PUT IN THE POSITION OF BEARING PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONTROLLING THE PEACE IN VIET NAM WHEN IN FACT FPJMC/ TPJMC IS PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE. ARTICLE 3 PARIS AGREEMENT AND ARTICLE 10 FPJMC PROTOCOL WHERE CITED TO PROVE THEIR CASE.

4. KUSNIERZ ALSO POINTED TO ARTICLE 10 (A) ICCS PROTOCOL AND NOTED THAT SINCE ALL PARTIES ARE NOT AFFORDING FULL COOPERATION AND PROTECTION, ICCS HAS BEEN PREVENTED FROM CARRYING OUT ITS FULL ROLE. EMBOFF REPLIED THAT THIS WAS MATTER OF DEGREE AND URGED POLDEL TO FOCUS NOT ON ITS HANDICAPS BUT ON ITS MISSION AS ENUCIATED IN REMAINING PARTS OF ARTICLE 10 AND ELSEWHERE. IN THAT CONNECTION, EMBOFF REQUESTED CLARIFICATION REGARDING REPORT THAT ICCS REGION III POLDEL WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN FUTURE INVESTIGATIONS WITHOUT A WRITTEN GUARANTEE OF SAFETY FROM ALL FPJMC PARTIES. POLDEL SAIGON WAS UNAWARE OF THIS REPORT, AND KUSNIERZ ASSURED EMBOFF THAT POLDEL SAIGON HAD NOT ISSUED SUCH ORDERS.

5. AT CLOSE OF MEETING MALICKI CONFIRMED THAT POLDEL AMBASSADOR WASILEWSKI WAS RETURNING TO WARSAW FOR CONSULATION IN APRIL BUT SAID HE DID NOT KNOW SPECIFIC DATES.
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